

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-5 and 12-15 without prejudice or disclaimer, amend claims 6-9 and 11, and add new claims 16-23 as follows:

1-5. (Cancelled)

6. (Currently Amended) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 7[[5]], wherein the polygonal shape has rounded corners.

7. (Currently Amended) A liquid crystal display device comprising:

two substrates arranged facing each other with liquid crystal interposed therebetween;

a plurality of gate signal lines and a plurality of drain signal lines arranged on a surface of one of the substrates;

a plurality of pixel regions each defined between one pair of the gate signal lines and one pair of the drain signal lines;

~~pixel electrodes each formed on a corresponding one of the pixel regions on the surface of one of the substrates arranged facing each other with the liquid crystals interposed therebetween and on the side of the liquid crystals;~~ and

~~opposing electrodes formed on the other one of the substrates at least the pixel regions on the surface of the other substrate on the side of the liquid crystals;~~

wherein each of the pixel electrodes in said corresponding pixel region has a plurality of circular patterns or patterns similar to circles, such that groups of patterns in which a each of the plurality of circular patterns or patterns similar [[close]] to circles are neighboring and connecting to [[each]] at least two other patterns in one direction, are arranged neighboring each other and in [[a]] another direction at right angles with the above different from said one direction respectively,

~~the patterns in one group of the patterns being are~~ deviated by a half pitch from ~~the patterns of the other a~~ neighboring group[[s]] of ~~the patterns~~, and
~~the patterns being in contact with each other at their contours; and~~
projections are formed on the surface of the [[other]] substrate in which the opposing electrode are formed ~~on the side of the liquid crystals at portions facing nearly the centers of the circular patterns or the patterns close to circles.~~

8. (Currently Amended) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 7,

~~wherein the pixel electrodes are such that groups of patterns in which a plurality of circular patterns or patterns close to circles are neighboring each other in one direction, are arranged neighboring each other in a direction at right angles with the above one direction,~~

~~the patterns in one group of patterns being deviated by a half pitch from the patterns of the other neighboring groups of patterns, and~~

the patterns [[being]] are electrically connected to each other at their contours.

9. (Currently Amended) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 8, wherein the pattern similar [[close]] to the circle is of a polygonal shape having five or more corners.

10. (Original) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 9, wherein the polygonal shape has rounded corners.

11. (Currently Amended) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 7,

~~wherein there are formed a plurality of gate signal lines in parallel and a plurality of drain signal lines in parallel intersecting the gate signal lines on the surface of one of the substrates on the side of the liquid crystals,~~

~~the regions surrounded by the gate signal lines and the drain signal lines serving as pixel regions;~~

the pixel electrodes are arranged on the pixel regions together with the switching elements that are driven by scanning signals from the gate signal lines,

~~so that~~ video signals are fed from the drain signal lines through the switching elements; and

~~among the circular patterns or the patterns close to circles of the pixel electrodes,~~ the circular patterns or the patterns similar ~~[[close]]~~ to circle~~[[s]]~~ near the drain signal lines or the gate signal lines are formed along a shape of an adjacent circular pattern or the patterns similar to circle ~~so deformed as to possess a side that goes along the side of the drain signal lines or of the gate signal lines at portions near the drain signal lines or the gate signal lines.~~

12-15. (Cancelled)

16. (New) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 7, wherein each of the plurality of circular patterns or patterns similar to circles are shaped substantially the same.
17. (New) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 7, wherein the plurality of circular patterns or patterns similar to circles are aligned into at least two rows.
18. (New) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 17, wherein said two rows are parallel with each other.
19. (New) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 17, wherein said two rows are parallel with each other in said one direction, and said another direction is 60 degrees away from said one direction.

20. (New) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 17, wherein said two rows are parallel with each other in an extending direction of the drain lines.
21. (New) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 7, wherein said each of the pixel electrodes covers nearly the whole area of said corresponding one of the pixel regions.
22. (New) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 17, wherein circular patterns or patterns similar to circles in each row are shaped substantially the same.
23. (New) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 22, wherein circular patterns or patterns similar to circles in one row are shaped differently from those in another row.